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PSC MODIFIES HEARING SCHEDULE IN AQUILA STEAM RATE CASE

JEFFERSON CITY--The Missouri Public Service Commission has modified the procedural schedule and hearings in a steam rate case filed by Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks-L&P are now scheduled to start on **January 9, 2006.** Hearings were originally scheduled to begin on January 23, 2006. These hearings, to be held in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building (200 Madison Street, Jefferson City), will continue through February 10, 2006, if necessary.

The Governor Office Building is a facility which meets the accessibility standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearings, please call the Public Service Commission's hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or dial 711 for Relay Missouri prior to the hearings.

On May 27, 2005, Aquila, Inc. filed a steam rate case with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking to increase annual steam revenues in its L&P service area. Aquila, Inc. seeks an increase of approximately \$5 million (44.3%).

The Commission will hold local public hearings on the proposed rate increase. Dates, times and locations will be announced later.

Aquila, Inc. provides service to five industrial steam customers in St. Joseph, Missouri.